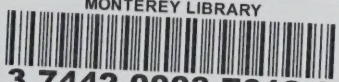


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MONTEREY NEWS



March, 1979

OUR TOWN

New Highway Superintendent

Carl Champigny has been appointed by the Board of Selectmen as Monterey's new highway superintendent. He will take the place of Harold Crine, who superintended work on Monterey's roads for the last eight or nine years. Harold will remain on the town crew. Other members of the crew are Harold Hart, Tony Reed and Joe Lanoue.

Carl Champigny lives on River Road with his wife, Norma, and daughter, Karen. He was born in Canada and had to learn to speak English when he came to the United States. Now, he says he has forgotten how to speak French. He was

brought up in Sandisfield and came to Monterey in about 1941. He worked at Roadside Store when it was owned by Herb Enoe and a man named Ashworth, but his aspirations were in music. He organized a dance band called the "Four Blue Notes," which played all over the area until Carl's life as a musician was interrupted by the Korean War. He was drafted and lost the years necessary to building a repertoire and an audience. Upon returning to Monterey he worked for a short while for Hi Fidelity Magazine, but "didn't like being inside." About that time Ray Tryon married Carl's sister, and in 1953 the two men decided to form a partnership in the construction business. During the twenty-five years he worked with Ray, Carl got plenty of experience in road work. In the beginning, the roads were sanded by hand (Carl's hand) from the back of a truck. Later, Carl graduated to truck driver, and finally to manning a snow plow. Ten years ago, according to Carl, only 25 of Monterey's 47 miles of roads were plowed and sanded each winter. Now the Department maintains about 42 miles of roads.

Carl has plans for changes and improvements in the management of Monterey's roads. He drives the main arteries in town every morning before his men report to work. Then he lays out a work program for the day. He says with the advent of the robins he is going to give the Town Shed a good spring cleaning.

People who spot problems on town roads are encouraged to call the Town Shed (528-1734)

Turnover on Police Force

Robert Hardisty retired March 1 after fifteen years on the Monterey Police Force. When asked about his years as a policeman in Monterey, Hardisty said he "enjoyed every minute of it." In addition to answering calls during the days, evenings and nights, he was in charge of ushering schoolchildren into their school buses in winter and spring dawns. On cold mornings, when the General Store had not yet opened its doors, the children found shelter in Hardisty's warm pick-up. Having lived most of his life in the Berkshire area, Hardisty intends to spend his retirement in Monterey, sharing caretaking duties with his wife on the Peter Schweitzer estate. Police Chief Doug Lyman described Hardisty as a "fantastic officer."

On the recommendation of Chief Lyman, the Board of Selectmen has appointed Pat Christie to fill the gap left by Hardisty's retirement. Pat is the wife of James Christie, who is presently on the police force. Her primary duty will be monitoring schoolchildren in the mornings, as well as other traffic duties, such as church traffic on summer mornings. Otherwise, in the capacity of Police Matron, she may be called upon to attend such family disputes as require the presence of a woman. Her job, dealing in non-violent situations, requires no formal training.

Jim Christie and Doug Lyman are enrolled in a mandatory 15-week course under the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Program, which involves training in power of arrest, handling of firearms and the like. The program, required by state law, is being taught in the Town Hall in Lenox.

Garfield Flood Gates Closed

Selectman Tom Bradley announced that on February 5 a crew chipped the ice away from the flood gates on Lake Garfield and lowered it to an opening of about six inches. The lake is slowly filling up. Past experience has taught those in charge of winter drawdown that in years of an early thaw it is prudent to lower the gates early. The rising lake waters pull weeds still frozen in ice out by their roots and thereby further reduce the lake's perennial weed problem. From this point on the gate will be monitored to prevent flooding either beyond the dam or on the shores of the lake.

OUR CHURCHES



CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Masses Schedule: Our Lady of the Valley, Sheffield:
Saturday, 5:30 p.m., Sunday, 7:30, 9:00 and 10:00 a.m.
Immaculate Conception, Mill River: Sunday, 10:00 a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Notes Morning worship each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. . . .
Kindergarten at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday.

Lenten During the Lenten Season the services are built
Worship around the unified lectionary that is now being
used by a steadily increasing number of Pro-

testant churches, as well as the Roman Catholic Church, in America. The sermons are particularly based on the Epistle readings. Through the remaining Sundays of Lent the sermon subjects are as follows:

March 18, Third Sunday in Lent, I Corinthians 1:22-25, "The Strange Drama of the Cross of Christ."

March 25, Fourth Sunday in Lent, Ephesians 2:1-10, "Humility in the Midst of Grace."

April 1, Fifth Sunday in Lent, Hebrews 5:1-10, "Wholeness and Oneness."

April 8, Sixth Sunday in Lent, Philippians 2:1-11, "There Are no Masks."

The Lenten Bible Study series is on "The Holy Spirit: In our Lives and in our Times." The remaining sessions of this series are as follows: March 20, "Gifts of the Holy Spirit." Read I Corinthians 12:1-31, Romans 12:6-12. March 27, "Love, The Holy Spirit's Greatest Gift." Read I Corinthians 13, I John 4:7-21. April 3, "The Holy Spirit and the Renewal of Life." Read Romans 8:26-39, John 3:5-8. Guest leaders for this final session are Carl and Kay Smith. All in the community are invited. Sessions are held in different homes. For information on the location of a session call 528-1031.

Maundy The Maundy Thursday celebration of Holy Communion this year will be on
Thursday April 12 at 7:30 p.m. It has become our practice to alternate from year to year between our traditional service, with the Office of Tenebrae, and one that follows quite closely the Passover Feast in which this celebration had its origin. This is the year in which it will be celebrated in the sanctuary with the Office of Tenebrae. We are pleased to have people of the community who wish to share in this reverent celebration join with us.

Good Friday For the past several years the Southern Berkshire community has engaged
Hunger Walk in a most meaningful Good Friday observance. It is sponsored by the Harvest of Hope. It involves persons who are willing to walk and persons who are willing to sponsor the walkers. The Monterey Youth Group are among persons from Monterey who are walking. Others -- of any age -- are invited. Three agencies will be benefited by the proceeds of the Good Friday Hunger Walk -- all of them related to the hunger problem. Since this is the International Year of the Child the agencies are: Berkshire County, a national project centered in Mississippi and Alabama; an international project to assist a Third World Nation upgrade its help to mothers with children in Sri Lanka (formerly Ceylon.)

Dr. Brallier will be administering the program in Monterey and will be pleased to receive money for sponsoring some person doing the walking.

Storm Windows The Trustees have been studying, comparing various ways in which
for Church storm windows could be efficiently installed on the large windows of the sanctuary, as well as on the basement windows. At a recent meeting agreement was reached on a practicable way to proceed. Work is expected to begin soon on this project.

Memorial Would you be interested in having a memorial society in this area? In
Society, general, memorial societies are cooperative groupings of people who plan
Anyone? funeral and burial arrangements before their death. The immediate benefit such societies report is that much more considered arrangements can be made than those consummated just while is dealing with the throes of the death of a loved one. An auxiliary benefit most usually is a considerable saving in cost. Anyone interested is asked to contact Dr. Brallier at 528-1031. If there is sufficient interest a meeting to discuss it will be set up.

Gertrude In the will of Gertrude Gould a bequest was made to the Monterey United
Gould Church in the sum of \$5,000. The finance committee is considering the best
Bequest means of applying this gift in order to determine it is used in a manner consistent with the desires of Gertrude. It was remarked by one of the committee that this bequest is truly typical of Gertrude's style of caring. Over \$350 has been received, additionally, as memorial gifts in her memory.

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Snow and Sand Account

The amount of money appropriated to the Snow and Sand Account for the past winter has so far been exceeded by about \$2,000. The icy winter required more sand and more hours of work. In addition, there were cost increases, both in equipment and supplies. The Selectmen are authorized to take money for the extra costs out of Free Cash, with the approval of the Finance Committee. The Assessors have been

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PEOPLE WHO CARE

Recently I was talking with a person who wondered why people seem to have so much difficulty in loving and being loved. She said that her own deepest longing was to be in a relationship in which she could love and be loved in return. She was perplexed that truly loving and caring relationships seem so rare and hard to attain. She felt herself perfectly capable of both giving and receiving love, and yet here was her life being played out as though she were a failure in the art of loving.

I feel that this woman's dilemma is shared by a large part of the population. Person after person is able to locate his own knowledge that his life would be greatly fulfilled if only it were being lived out in the context of loving, caring relationships. Yet for some reason beyond their understanding, it keeps coming near, but like the will-o'-the-wisp it continues to elude their grasp. This is a source of great human frustration and disappointment.

How can it be that something which is so universally desired should turn out to be so limited and fractured in its achievement? The basic reason that comes to mind is that loving and being loved is a much more highly developed quality than we have supposed it to be. Is it not really the ultimate quality that distinguishes the most highly developed humans we know anything about? The really great persons who have been benefactors to the whole human enterprise have largely been characterized by their well-developed capacity to love. It is a high achievement. Indeed, on the scale of human values it must be considered right at the top. Could it be that we are like the boy who watched a tight-rope walker do his act with the greatest of ease? It looked so easy that he was sure he would be able to do it with just a few tries. Yet when he tried it he found that he had vastly underestimated the amount of training and practice required to develop the intricate balance necessary.

Genuine loving and caring among humans, then, is not a casual, natural phenomenon that should come to us as easily as eating and digesting our food. It stands at the apex of human development. We do it a disservice to think that it is something that should come as easily as falling off a log. When we long to love and be loved, we are longing for one of the most highly developed of all human qualities. If we recognize this and know this is the nature of what we seek, it should help us better position ourselves for its achievement.

Another question arises. If loving and being loved is truly such a highly developed quality, why is the longing for it an almost universally present characteristic among people? Should we not expect that the longing for it would be found in only the more "highly developed" persons? Yet here is this longing for loving, caring relationships found right across the board. The desire for it is in the more primitive peoples as well as in the so-called "civilized" peoples of the earth. The search for love is perhaps as universal as any other of the human longings we know.

So here is our dilemma. Loving, caring must be regarded as the ultimate human achievement. Yet the longing for it is not to be located only in those who are "on the edge" of its achievement. The search for it must be seen as very nearly universal in humankind. Isn't that cruel -- maybe even heartless -- that the "inner design" of the human person is so focused that it almost certainly insures much human energy will be spent in a frustrating search that leaves us disappointed and empty-handed? What could God have been thinking about to have set up such a design? Why did he not save this longing for love to develop in humans at the point in which they were becoming developed enough to have some real hope of achieving it?

Let us imagine a more ideal world. Suppose that this powerful inner thrust to seek loving relationships should be reserved for people who have evidenced that they have grown far enough to now tackle this last major human achievement. Think of the agony, the suffering, the frustration, the heartache that people would be spared if they were not tormented by reaching for something that is so exasperatingly hard to obtain. Wouldn't a more kindly Creator have found some way to excuse us from this awful demand? Some people are so troubled by questions of this sort that they refuse to believe there could have been a Creator with any sort of design. They choose to believe it is chance or accident. No intelligent or caring God, they say, could have intended such a design.

In this article I have no intention of trying to solve this dilemma. It remains as one of the deep mysteries locked up in our beings. No one of us can ignore the staggering claims this dilemma lays upon us.

Several people have said they wish a few people who care enough about it could start exploring within the Monterey community ways to deal with the dilemma that surrounds human loving and caring. The question is asked, what is the responsibility of the larger community in filling this deep-seated human longing for more fruitful ways of expression. Shortly a meeting will be set to begin "walking around" this enormous issue in which all our destinies are wrapped up. Any who would have interest in beginning a "Monterey exploration" of this area are urged to contact me. We will find our way after we know those who would like to grapple with this issue further.

Virgil V. Brallier, Minister
Monterey United Church of Christ



Photography - At the Camera Club's February 17 meeting, Herbert Mueller demonstrated the art of trick photography. With the help of other Great Barrington Camera Club members, the 4-H'ers managed to take some very impressive trick photographs.

Great Barrington Camera Club - This month the Camera Club met on March 13 at the V.F.W. Hall in Great Barrington. The competition for this month was "Buildings with Character." Milton Shaw was the judge of the slides. Also, the members of the Camera Club who went on the Foliage Tour in October showed their slides of the trip.

BOY SCOUTS

Cub Scouts - On March 15 the Cub Scouts went to our local radio station, WSBS. The annual Blue and Gold Dinner will be held on March 30 at the American Legion Hall in New Marlborough. This annual covered-dish dinner is the anniversary of the Cub Scouts. Here, the Cub Scouts will receive their awards for their achievements.

Webelos - The Webelos will also be participating in the annual Blue and Gold Dinner on March 30 and will receive their awards at this time.

GIRL SCOUTS

Brownies - This month the girls have been finishing their project on nutrition, as part of the World of Well-Being. They made charts and filled them with pictures of the four food groups -- meat, dairy, fruits and vegetables, and cereals and grains. Upon completion of their charts, each girl was to take hers home and record on it all the foods eaten during one day, making sure she had enough in each of the groups. Also, during this month, a part of each meeting was devoted to exercise, a great release for bottled-up energy.

March 11 was the beginning of Girl Scout Week, and on March 15 the Brownies had a special ceremony in honor of the 67th birthday of Girl Scouting.

Juniors and Cadettes - This past month the Juniors have been preparing for cookie sales (which were March 3-11) and Girl Scout Week (March 11-17). They spent the past meeting preparing a display to be set up in the Monterey Post Office, which they hope everyone will stop in and see. It represents the "Five Worlds of Scouting."

Their next few meetings will be devoted to planning a spring outing and our Court of Awards.

YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group's activities for the month of March include: discussing personal relationships that are so important in the lives of youths. This includes relationships with parents, brothers and sisters, people in school and community friends. The Youth Group has also been discussing how to assume different responsibilities and working out ways of seeking common goals by setting up objectives and by using their proper training.

In the spring the Youth Group plans on going on a weekend retreat to Warner Farm in Cumington. They are hoping to go on the weekend just before Spring Vacation.

The Group is also actively involved in mailing out the Monterey News. As you can see, their mailing system has become more and more efficient with every issue.

MT. EVERETT HONOR ROLL OF STUDENTS FROM MONTEREY

To attain High Honors a student with four or five major subjects must have all A's, except for one B. For Honors students must have all A's or B's.

Grade 12

High Honors - Art Hebert; Honors - Joanne O'Connell.

Grade 11

High Honors - Mark Macuk; Honors - Pam Gauthier, Colleen Hastedt, Catherine O'Connor.

Grade 10

Honors - Stephen Brown, Lynn Dugan, John Makuc.

Grade 9

Honors - Cheri Briggs, Tammy Jervas, Jimmy Makuc.

Kevin Bradley
Youth Editor



The month of February brought to the Farm our old friend, Mila Gardner, director of the Aparri School of the Dance in Princeton, New Jersey. Again she conducted for guests and staff a four-week winter workshop in classic ballet and modern dance. Every week-day there were practise sessions for groups and for individuals. People were responsive to these opportunities for self-expression through the dance. Who could continue to feel "winter-killed" in the face of Mila's dedicated energy and charm? Writing in the Farm Yarn, Mila said, "The art of dance, which so closely includes the art of music and painting, involves our bodies from feet to head, from our lungs

that breathe, out to our finger tips, down to our toes. This makes us feel alive and tells us how to walk, to run, and to live with greater confidence and joy. With music and costuming, color and sound become more vivid. So through dancing we reach new dimensions and become new people."

On the evening of March 2 Sally Kelly's drama group produced an ad lib show called "Strange Encounters of the Gould Farm Kind." It was accompanied by music from "Star Wars." With audience participation, the cast portrayed the supposedly terrifying experiences endured by those traveling to the Friendly Ice Cream Store, as they were bombarded by creatures from outer space. In the garden, with the help of radiation, a monstrous pea and an ear of corn were grown, more than large enough for everyone to have a bite. David Smith, a willing victim, had quantities of maple sap squeezed out of him. Needless to say, a good time was had by all.

In mid-February Angelica Lichtenfeld, a member of the German group "Action-Reconciliation," came for six weeks to join the work force. An old friend of Liz Stucker, she attended the wedding of Liz and Virgil at the Farm in 1976. Other members of the Action-Reconciliation Group have been here as staff members. Angie will be leaving soon, but hopes to return, and we hope she will do so.

After a year at Farrington House, the Stucker family returned in December to the home Farm. They are living in the Adams cottage, which was winterized for them. Janet West, who was the associate director, is now in charge at Farrington, assisted by Ken Beam and Ed Sollenberger. In addition to the staff, there are now fifteen residents, all with jobs in the vicinity.

Rose McKee

Monterey Grange #291

Monterey Grange met on February 21. Applications were accepted from Ellsworth and Donald Jones of Colebrook, Connecticut. Pirate Bingo was played.

The last meeting was March 7 for a Home and Community Program, in charge of Chairman Alice Shaffer and her committee. Members brought items weighing 1 lb. for sale to benefit the Building Fund. Sister Eva Bond from Haydenville, a member of the State Home and Community Committee, was present and outlined the State contests for the year.

The next meeting will be Booster Night, open to the public. Applications for new members will be accepted. District Deputy Fred Bardwell be the guest speaker and there will be a musical and variety program. Non-members are invited.

Mary Wallace
Lecturer

W I N T E R S U N S E T

The cool flames of setting sun,
Lilac, gold and celadon,
Lead me ever on and on
Till I with winter sun
Am one.

-- Patricia Howard

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notified and the overage will be absorbed by next year's budget. Provision for this process was made last year by state law, which allows a town to take money out of Free Cash for Snow Removal without being required to seek permission at a Special Town Meeting. If a town appropriates at least as much money for snow and sand for the coming year as it did for the year previous to that one, then it qualifies for this process. Last spring Monterey did just that.

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